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IN THE APPLICATION OF : Fishman et al.
FOR : Multichannel Optical Communication System
SERIAL NO. : 09/416,081 and Method Utilizing Wavelength and
FILED : October 21, 1999 Coherence Division Multiplexing
EXAMINER : Sedighian, M. R.
ART UNIT : 2633
LAST OFFICE ACTION : February 22, 2002
ATTORNEY DOCKET NO. : 77772/23372 (formerly 99-01-US)

Cleveland, Ohio 44115-1475
August 15, 2002

AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner of Patents
Washington, DC 20231

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Technology Center 2600

Dear Sir:

This amendment is in response to the Office Action dated February 22, 2002. The three month shortened statutory time period to respond to this Office Action expired May 22, 2002 , the time to reply with a three month extension expires August 22, 2002. Accordingly, a petition and fee (\$920.00) for a three month extension have been enclosed.

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

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